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AND/OR A VEHICLE WHEEL)

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Sir:

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Copies of the listed documents are attached. English-language translations of the non-English-language documents are also attached. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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Respectfully submitted,

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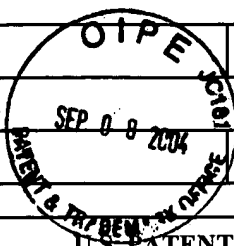


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